

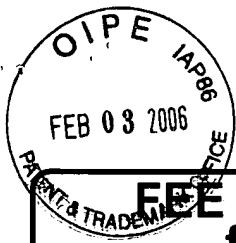
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For: **Apparatus and Method for Sensing
Illumination by Using Image Sensor**

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The references were cited in a Search Report dated September 26, 2005 (copy enclosed herewith) in a counterpart which was forwarded to Applicant's Representative in a communication dated September 27, 2005.

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TITLE: *Apparatus and method for sensing illumination by using image sensor*

This application was preliminarily rejected pursuant to Article 63 of the Korean Patent Law based on the following reason. Should there be any opinion against this action, please file a written argument by November 26, 2005. (You can apply for 1-month extension per each case, and we do not notify you of the confirmation for such term extension.)

[REASON]

This invention described in claims 1 to 10 can be easily invented by those skilled in the art as pointed out below. Accordingly, the above-identified patent application cannot be registered pursuant to Article 29, Paragraph 2 of the Korean Patent Law.

[BELOW]

This invention described in claims 1 to 6 of the present invention is directed to an illumination sensing apparatus and a method for generating a light-emitting controlling signal or a light-emitting on/off signal with reference to image data and a gain generated from each gain of Red, Green and Blue (RGB) and controlling illumination of an internal light-emitting device or turning on/off the light-emitting device. The claims 2 to 5 are additional claims for the above apparatus and the claims 7 to 10 are additional claims for the above method.

Meanwhile, Korean Patent Application No. 2003-035400 (reference 1), published on May 9, 2003, discloses a peripheral brightness determining method for controlling display brightness to acquire a luminance mean value of a central region corresponding to an automatic gain control (AGC) reference region and a peripheral region of a photo screen from an image signal based on photographing of a camera in a terminal, compare the luminance mean value with a predetermined peripheral brightness value and control the brightness of the display, and a display brightness controlling method using the same. The present invention is similar to the reference 1 controlling the brightness of the display from image data by using an image pickup device having the AGC function.

Also, Korean Patent Application No. 2002-050766 (reference 2), published on June 27, 2002, discloses a display brightness controlling method for optimally controlling the brightness of moving picture terminal display by sensing brightness of external light of the terminal by an image sensor and controlling power of a light-emitting diode of a liquid crystal display. Accordingly, the present invention is similar to the reference 2 in controlling the power of the light-emitting diode by sensing the external brightness by using the image sensor.

Therefore, it is concluded that the present invention can be easily invented by those skilled in the art by selecting and combining the references 1 and 2

- [Attachment]*
1. *Korean Patent Publication No. 2003-035400
(Published on May 9, 2003)*
 2. *Korean Patent Publication No. 2002-050766
(Published on June 27, 2002)*